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Contact Lands Having No Damage)

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Japanese Unexamined Patent Application Publication No. 10-334205 discloses a structure of IC card which exposes and forms contact terminal on surface.

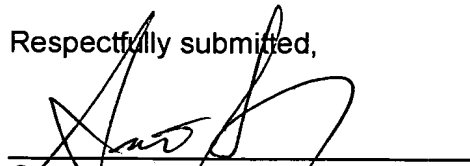
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Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner review the entire disclosure of this document and make it of record.

Respectfully submitted,

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